

REMARKS

Applicants have studied the Election/Restriction Requirement of July 12, 2004. Claims 1-17 are in the case. The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following two groups of the claimed invention:


- Group I. Species A, corresponding to Fig. 3; and
- Group II. Species B, corresponding to Fig. 4.

In response to the Examiner's election requirement, applicants hereby provisionally elect species A, corresponding to Fig. 3, of which claims 1-8 and 17 read thereon.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to non-elected claims.

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